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While a period of turmoil lies ahead in the leisure time field, it is providing an increasing number of opportunities for warm co-operation between Quebec's two main language groups.

Indicative of developing goodwill are moves underway to form a federation of English-speaking associations and make it a member of the Conféderation des Loisirs du Québec, said R. G. Rogers, assistant general secretary of the Montreal YMCA.

Spokesmen for French-language groups in particular have wholeheartedly supported such a move, he told the Junior League of Montreal.

"A much greater degree of collaboration and liaison will have to emerge among all the groups and organizations working in this field," he commented. While some traditional leisure time activities will disappear, new ones will emerge and different levels of government will probably become more deeply involved.

"Leisure time, by and large, has been recuperative time, in between work times," he deplored. With more and more of it becoming available, it will become a curse instead of a blessing unless part of it is used to develop human capacities.

"Recreational settings are in fact very rich educational settings," he insisted. "There is a whole new field here to be further developed and expanded."